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### Now Syria Ousts U. S. Embassy Woman

Syria's Socialist regime continued its drive against alleged American spies by tagging a secretary in the American Embassy in Damascus as one and ordering her out of the country. U.S. diplomatic sources say the charges are irresponsible and merely reflect the Baathists' anti-American campaign. Miss Martha Scherrer was identified as the Embassy secretary. She works in the administrative section. Officials said she was in the same ring as Second Secretary Walter S. Snowdon, who was expelled last Wednesday. Over the weekend, Farhan Attassi, a TV film salesman who was identified as a naturalized American, and Army Col. Abdul Mucen el-Habimi were sentenced to death for complicity in a plot allegedly to accept \$2 million from Snowdon for information about Syrian armed forces and military equipment. Miss Scherrer had 48 hours to leave Syria. She has no diplomatic status.